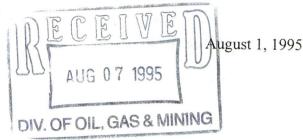


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RE: ML46846--clay

Dear Mr. North,

Thank you for your July 18, 1995, notice of intent to commence mining upon the lands within ML46846. I Offer the following comments.

- 1. Form MR-REV, Page 3, Part III: I suppose that your intent is to commence mining in <u>Lot 12</u>, <u>S20, T7S, R1W</u> rather than in "School Section 12."
- 2. Your plan of operation does not adequately address the issue of topsoil. It appears from the photos that topsoil is present over part of the area that you intend to mine. More detail is needed regarding your commitment to salvage topsoil and utilize the same in mined land reclamation of the site. Specifically, please indicate how you intend to salvage the topsoil, where it will be stockpiled and what measures you will take to protect the stockpiles from erosion.
- 3. The Trust Lands Administration will require a reclamation and royalty bond of \$5,000 per acre of surface disturbance. The reclamation contract which is presently on file with the Division of Oil, Gas & Mining is not in an acceptable form to meet the bonding requirements of the Trust Lands Administration. It is therefore necessary for Interstate Brick to submit a surety bond covering the state lands within your proposed mining operation. Please indicate the maximum acreage to be disturbed by operations upon the state land and accordingly submit a surety bond to the Trust Lands Administration. I am enclosing our surety bond form for your convenience.

Sincerely,

John T. Blake

cc: Lynn Kunzler

